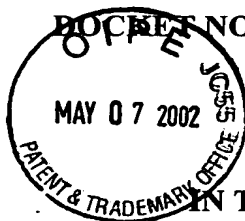


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Lawrence I. Kruse et al.

Serial No.: 09/769,450

Group Art Unit: 1617

Filing Date: January 26, 2001

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For: KAPPA AGONIST COMPOUNDS, PHARMACEUTICAL FORMULATIONS
AND METHOD OF PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF PRURITIS
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Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application is:

- ☐ A Preliminary Amendment.
- ☐ An Amendment Responsive to the Office Action Dated _____.
- ☐ An Amendment Supplemental to the Paper filed _____.
- ☒ Other: Reply Under 37 CFR 1.111 to Office Action Dated January 7, 2002.
- ☒ Applicant(s) has previously claimed small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27.
- ☐ Applicant(s) by its/their undersigned attorney, claims small entity status under 37



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CFR §1.27 as:

- ☐ an Independent Inventor
- ☐ a Small Business Concern
- ☐ a Nonprofit Organization

- ☐ This application is no longer entitled to small entity status. It is requested that this be noted in the files of the Patent and Trademark Office.
- ☐ Substitute Pages _____ of the Specification are enclosed.
- ☐ An Abstract is enclosed.
- ☐ _____ Sheets of Proposed Corrected Drawings are enclosed.
- ☐ A Certified Copy of each of the following applications: _____
_____ is enclosed.
- ☐ An Associate Power of Attorney is enclosed.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement.
 - ☐ Attached Form 1449.
 - ☐ A copy of each reference as listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is enclosed herewith.
- ☐ Appended Material as follows: _____.
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Petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of @@ to and through @@ comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of @@ month(s).



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Dear Sir:

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 TO
OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 7, 2002**

In response to the Office Action mailed January 7, 2002, please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows.

In the Claims

25. (Amended) A method of treating or preventing pruritus in a mammal in need of such prevention or treatment, said method comprising administering to said mammal a non-peptide kappa opiate receptor agonist, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, that is substantially devoid of central nervous system effects, in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Cancel Claims 26 and 33, without prejudice.